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November 10, 1997

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT P 074 977 276

William and Preston Bown Utah Building Stone Supply 842 West 400 North Bountiful, Utah 84087

Re:

Status of Compliance with September 26, 1997 Board Order, Docket No. 97-016, Cause No. M/003/031, Utah Building Stone, Grouse Creek Operations, M/003/031, Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Messrs. Bown:

Thank you for submitting the interim surety for the Grouse Creek Operations. On November 5, 1997, Division Staff members Lynn Kunzler and Wayne Hedberg, along with Dan Moquin of the AG's office met with Bill Bown. At this time, Bill delivered a surety bond (bond # 1344885) from Far West Insurance Company. This bond is to satisfy the referenced Board Order for posting an interim surety for the Grouse Creek Operations. A review of the documents found a couple minor errors, which have subsequently been corrected. Revised forms were submitted to the Division on November 7, 1997. These have been reviewed and are now considered satisfactory for the requirement to post an interim reclamation surety.

To complete the requirements of the Board Order, Utah Building Stone needs to bring the site into compliance with the Mined Land Reclamation act by filing a Notice of Intention to Conduct Large Mining Operations (LMO). Item #5 of the Order established a deadline for filing the LMO as "no later than 45 days after October 15, 1997". Since this date (November 29, 1997) falls on a Saturday, Utah Building Stone will have until Monday, December 1, 1997 to submit an adequate LMO for the Grouse Creek Operations.

Please call if you have any questions or need clarification regarding the preparation of the LMO. We look forward to receiving your submittal by December 1st.

Sincere

Mary Ann Wright

Associate Director of Mining

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